

## **“IMMANUEL”**

Matthew 1:1-25

Key verse 23

**“The virgin will conceive and give birth to a son, and they will call him Immanuel” (which means ‘God with us’).**”

1. Whose genealogy is this (1)? Why is Jesus declared to be the son of Abraham and the son of David (Ge 12:2; 2Sa 7:13)?
2. What promises did God give to Abraham, Isaac and Jacob (2; Gen 22:18; 26:4; 28:14b)? Who are the 3 women mentioned here (3-5; Gen 38:26; Jos 2:11; Ru 1:16)? What does their inclusion show about God?
3. What sin of David does this genealogy expose (6; 2Sa 12:9)? How does this show God’s mercy (2Sa 12:13,24)? Who are the men in verses 6-11 and what does their inclusion show about God’s faithfulness and mercy (2Ki 8:19)?
4. What led to the exile to Babylon (11a; 2Ki 24:20)? How was God with his people in this time of suffering (12-17; Jer 30:10-11)?
5. What troubled Joseph, and what did he plan to do (18-19)? How did God help him resolve it (20)? What does Jesus’ divine conception reveal about him (18b, 20b; Lk 1:35)? What does the name Jesus mean and reveal about why he came (21)?
6. Why did all this take place (22)? Read verse 23. What does “Immanuel” mean? Why is this important for us (28:20)? How did Joseph respond to the Lord’s message (24-25)?